(c) and (d) Yes, sir. The government of NCT of Delhi has decided to construct 4 old age homes during the 10th Plan period on land allotted to them by DDA. Efforts are being made for developing guidelines for construction and management of these homes in consultation with reputed experienced NGOs doing commendable work in area of old age welfare.

Increasing drug abuse in the country

3993. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increasing drug abuse in the country;

(b) if so; whether the number of drug abusers are increasing in the urban areas of the country day-by-day;

(c) if so, whether Government have formulated any strategy to check the increase in drug abuse in the country and also sought foreign assistance in this regard, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Recognising drug abuse as psycho-socio medical problem, requiring community based interventions the Government is implementing the "Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse", wherein registered Non Government Organisations are provided financial support for awareness programmes, counselling, treatment and rehabilitation services in varied settings such as community, workplaces, educational institutions, prisons, etc. The quality in services is ensured through the implementation of the minimun standards formulated for different services. To strengthen the service delivery of the programme, the Ministry is also implementing community-based projects in collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime.

Objectives of re-organization of Tribal populated States

3994. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the principal objectives behind re-organisation of the States, namely Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya